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What is Working?

- **Combat Equipment Provided to the OIF is Effective, Reliable, and Survivable**
- **Expedited Contracting Support to the Warfighter**
- **Workforce Dedication to Task**
- **Army Strategic Planning Board**
- **Greater PEO Empowerment**
- **Test and Evaluation Programs**
- **Army Security Cooperation Activities - Linked closely to PEOs**
- **Performance Based Service Acquisition**
- **Personnel System of Joint Programs**
- **Defense of the President's Budget on the Hill**
- **Teaming with Industry**

Effective Support to the Warfighter



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What is Not Working?

- **Workforce Management and Development**
- **Program, Planning, Budgeting, and Execution System**
- **Acquisition Processes (e.g., Requirements, Capabilities)**
- **PEO/PM Selection Process**
- **Contracting Practices**
- **Funding of Programs**
- **Effective Coordination/Communication Among PEOs, MACOMs and Staffs**
- **Reorganizations**
- **Military Systems**



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Contradictions

- **Communications and Cooperation**
- **Department of the Army System Coordinators**
- **Acquisition Process**
- **Experimentation**
- **Program funding and prioritization**
- **Impact of reorganization initiatives (e.g., RTF)**

Differing Experiences and Perceptions



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What Do We Do About What's Not Working?

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What is the Path Ahead?

- **Continue to do what's working**
- **Implement recommended solutions**
- **Further guidance from Leadership**
- **Communications Plan - Pentagon and Congress**
- **Revamp Acquisition Processes to meet current needs**
- **Revamp PPBES processes to meet the current environment**
- **Initiate activities that foster greater communication and coordination**
- **Evolve dependent processes to meet the needs of a System of Systems approach**
- **Continue to implement Best Practices where appropriate**

Continue Responsiveness to the Warfighter...



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